# EPORT HUNDREDS DEAD IN ITALY QUAKE

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\$400,000, as Charg-L Was Quota; "Form 101" Carried Out.

principal cities by the Repub-en campaign fund committee was reduced in the senate commitinvestigation today when Dud-Blossom, who helped raise and's quota, testified Gover-Cox's figures, \$400,000 for that y, were correct.

overnor Cox's quota figures on unts the Republicans sought raise in Cleveland, Ohio, were ntiated and an admission sie that the national committee fore the committee.

Biessom, one of the leaders in the seveland fund raising drive, testing the Cuyahoga county quota as fixed at \$400,000, although red W. Upham, national treasura, is testifying last week, said the sai for the entire state of Ohio for the entire state of Ohio

Seek \$25,000 in Atlanta. C. W. McClure, of Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Upham sent C. F. Taylor. paid field worker, to him last hylor was delegated to raise money in that state. Mr. Mchere quoted Dr. J. C. Stockbridge Atlanta, who assisted him as say-Mr. Taylor had told Dr. Stocke that he wanted to raise \$25, in Atlanta alone. alor Reed called the witness

ation to the quota sheet subtied last week by Fred W. Up-Republican national treasurer hich fixed the amount for the en-

Quota Fixed at \$400,000. Mr. Blossom testified that A. A tuman, a paid agent of the nahe Cleveland quota was announced 400,000, and that Mr. Protzman

Forty teams of six men each were mid 20 under his direction and Munder C. T. Brooks.

was provided by W. R. Woodled, chairman of the ways and ans maittee of Cuyahoga county and from this list each team captain selected the names of fifty to seventy-five men to be canvasto seventy-five men to be canvasto seventy-five men to be canvasted by team. Some of the cards
in the list as furnished by Mr.
Woodford were marked with the Mr. Blossom said. ount the prospect should give,

Heads 20 Teams. Mr. Blossom, who is director of

public welfare of the city of Cleve-land, testified that Mr. Woodford saled him last July to head a squad of 20 teams and that the actual lic welfare of the city of Clevework of raising the money was set for the week of Aug. 16. A luncheon was held each day

Cross and Liberty Loan drives fol-lowed. Congressman S. D. Fess, of Ohio, chairman of the Republican compaign commites, was a speaker at one of the ons of the team workers. fells How Prospects Were Picked "How were these 3,000 'prospects

ked?" asked Senator Reed. "They were chosen because they vere known Republicans," Mr.

om explained, "and because it ribute to the fund." "There are surely more than 3,- as a friend."

000 Republicans in Cuyahoga count. Why were these 3,000 chosen? Mr. Woodford made up the list. I had nothing to do with it."

Admits Total Sought. "You were to get \$400,000 in ayahoga county alone, although weak by the Republican national Senator Reed continued. Yes, sir, that was my under

ice shows the goal for the utire state of Ohio was only \$400,-Mr. Blossom said that when

ed been all Lapor day, \$74,000 Fromman directing it and all It was the first time since

"Form 101" Carried Out. Senator Reed then took the wit-from the rear grounds.

After entering the car with Mrs. through form 101, the cam-

and which Mr. Blossom said he had bever seen. At almost every step a organization described by the blas. Mr. Blossom nodded or exed assent. He said an execu the committee was formed as de-ribed in the plan and remembered its dozen or so members, Mi-Gallagher, coal operator, as man, and John Sherwin and R Nutt, bankers, and C. A. Otis, et, as members.

ley were among the most inley were among the most inley was said, was not considered alarmling.

### U. S. ATTORNEY TAKES HAND IN SLUSH INOUIRY

Says Federal Probe of Fund and "Conflicting Testimony."

Chicago, Sept. 8.—United States District Attorney Charles F. Clyne announced today that information about presidential campaign expenses has been submitted to him by E. H. Moore, Governor Cox's representative at the senatorial investigation of the campaign ex-

Mr. Clyne said he was not ready chicago, Sept. S.—First evidence to announce what action may be secring Governor Cox's charge taken on this information.

It large quotas were assigned to Mr. Clyne and department of justice representatives attended the

committee hearing today.

Mr. Clyne said the question of witnesses at the senatorial hearings was brought up.

Chicago, Sept. 8.—(United Press).

—Reports were circulated in the federal building that Clyne was considering a federal investigation into alleged conflicting testimony of some witnesses appearing be-

and sought to raise more than organ and sought to raise more than organ and sought and the senate statement regarding his plans besmalltee investigating campaign's fore he had an opportunity of conspenditures, resumed its hearing sulting with the full committee conducting the investigation. one of the leaders in the said he hoped to meet with the fund raising drive, tes-committee, following today's hear-

### **HUERTA VOICES MEXICAN STAND**

Outlines Attitude on Oil Contro versy and on World Problems in General.

Mexico City, Sept. 8.—Certain suggestions relative to the admin-istration of federal zones in conare included in a letter the Mexifrom George T. Summerlin, charge d'affaires at the United States embassy. In discussing this letter yesterday, President de La Huerta

and direct the raising of the them as she desires. A departure from the front porch that has not from this policy would mean the gone through that process.

But the tendency at Marion has

ted States," the provisional presinothing but so-called North American bluff' by enemies of the Mexican government."

Sept. 8 .- (United Mexico City, Sept. 8.—(United Press.)—President de la Huerta today stood back of the following statements:

tled easily if the United States and other foreign countries will cease to be influenced by private inter-

"I endorse a union of the pro letariat of an international character and favor abolition of all fron-

"Protection of foreign lives and property is our most important inernational problem. "Any government which wishes

to avoid a cataclysm must direct the evolution of labor, not obstruct "Only because of the genius of

President Wilson has the United States avoided a tremendous upheaval.

"The Mexican government pro poses to establish a dry zone 100 kilometers (62.1 miles) wide along

the American border.
"Mexico has expresesd her desire to be friendly with the world Tas thought they were able to con- at large; it is now up to the world to decide whether it wants Mexico

These statements were made by de la Huerta at a luncheon given to the foreign correspondents in Mexico City.

#### WILSON WALKS TO HIS AUTOMOBILE WITHOUT ANY AID

Washington, Sept. 8. - President Wilson, without assistance and eaning lightly on his cane, walkled briskly through the front enbeen pledged and that the day and stepped into his automo-

Proteman directing it and all It was the first time since his sockers trying to reach the goal of 100,000.

"Form 101" Carried Out.

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Wilson, the president, wearing a cap, waited several minutes until an attendant could bring his straw hat. Meanwhile the crowd in-creased and made a rush for the gate as the car approached. The president lifted his hat and smiled.

CRANE SERIOUSLY ILL. Dalton, Mass., Sept. 8.—(United Press.)—The condition of former United States Senator Murray Crane, seriously ill at his home here, is "unchanged," W. H. Crane, Jr., sald today. His condition, it

## **LEAGUE AIM** OF HARDING IS CONFUSED

Republicans Take Different Views of His Stand -Will Not Reject It

> BY DAVID LAWRENCE. (Special to The Argus.)

Chicago, Sept. 8 .- Two gentlemen, between whom, politically San Francisco, speaking, there is no love lost, are perjury in the testimony of certain having a most uncomfortable time in this campaign and friends of both are wondering which shall mind of Senator Harding or Pres- mail trains, ident-elect Harding, as the case The flight may be after next November.

Hiram Johnson is the one and Herbert Hoover is the other. Mr. Johnson is opposed to the League letters for western points, includ-of Nations and is convinced by a ing messages from Senator Warren reading of the Harding speeches that the Ohio senator, if elected, tial nominee, to San Francisco will reject the whole league busi-ness, whilst Mr. Hoover is satisfied the leader. that Mr. Harding will approximate the position which Republicans like Taft, Hughes and Wickersham have expressed as their under-standing of Senator Harding's in-

the choice before election day others say he will wait until after the polls have closed.

Johnson Followers Elated. Meanwhile, the friends of Johnson were elated by Senator Harding's speech of Aug. 28, and now they are correspondingly dismayed by the statement insued at Marion by George W. Wickersham, former attorney general in President Taft's cabinet. That statement was read and approved by Senator Harding before being issued through the stenographic corps of "The federal zones are the property of the nation, which maintains Harding headquarters or it is the that she has the right to dispose of the first important statement issued

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"Mexico has no desire to curtail and league and the writer pointed with the treaty of the marging and proat the time Charles Evans dent continued, "and the campaign Hughes went to see Senator Hard-waged there relative to the oil ing that the Republican nominee was leaning toward the Taft-Hughes-Wickersham-Hoover wing of the party and more and more away from Johnson whose cause he had espoused in earlier speeches.

Moreover, Mr. Wickersham con

(Continued on last page.)

### LEAGUE TO TAKE **UP POLES' PLEA**

Geneva, Sept. 8 .- (United Press) -Poland's application for arbitra- ber 2 wheat should be \$3 at the tion of her territorial dispute with Kansas City primary market. Con-Lithuania will be taken up by the League of Nations at the meeting tion was \$2.77 per bushel. of the council in Paris Sept. 16, it

was learned today.

Officials of the league were be lieved unsympathetic with Poland, ointing out that country had not granted to Canadian Railway comconformed with its league obligations and had taken the initiative n the Russo-Polish hostilities. The 35 per cent in western freight has started an investigation.

Peru and Bolivia have asked the eague to settle the Tacna-Arica

CAR SHORTAGE EASES. Washington, Sept. 8. — Decided improvement in the car situation was indicated by figures of the car service commission showing 964.

256 freight cars were loaded during

the week ending Aug. 21.

MUCH INSURANCE PAID. New York, Sept. 8 .- Life insurance distributions in 1919 by organizations operating in the United States and Canada totalled \$1,843,

## THE WEATHER

Unsettled weather tonight and Thursday, with showers tonight. Not much change in temperature. Highest yesterday, 81; lowest Precipitation, none.

12 m. 7 p.m. 7 a.m. Rel. humidity ...38 River stage, 2.7, no change in la

River Forecast. Nearly stationary stages in the Mississippi will prevail from below

#### SEA TO SEA AIR MAIL ROUTE IS PUT IN EFFECT

Inaugurate Regular Service Between Mineola and 'Frisco.

Minneola, N. Y., Sept. 8 .- Trans continental air mail service to San Francisco was officially inaugurated today when R. G. Page, piloting an airplane specially equipped to carry 400 pounds mail, started his westward flight at 6:30 o'clock. He carried, in his cargo of mail, letters to the mayors of six cities along the route.

The airplane was scheduled to make its first stop at Cleveland. Other stations chosen were Chicago, Omaha, Neb., Cheyenne, Wyo., Salt' Lake City, Reno, Nev., and finally,

Make Trip in Three Days.

The trip is expected to be completed in three days, arriving at San Francisco 42 hours ahead of prove accurate in analyzing the the time regularly required for The flight mapped out is 2,651

miles in length, the longest air route in the world. Another plane, carrying 16.000 Harding, Republican presiden-

Will Speed Up Service.

Chicago, Sept. 8.—Aerial mail ser-vice between New York and San Francisco was officially opened nermost thoughts.

Somebody, to borrow a phrase ed in the four divisions of the serfrom William Jennings Bryan, is
going to find his heart "in the of mail and advancing their loads grave" when Mr. Harding chooses 16 hours over the train mail time. between the wishes of the so-called The service will so facilitate mail irreconciliables and the mild reservice, it is declared, that a letter

Chicago Division Point. The ships will leave Chicago both directions at 5:30 each morning.

The service is divided into four New York to Chicago; Chicago to

Omaha; Omaha to Salt Lake City, induce and Salt Lake City to San Fran Establishment of a system of co-

### DIES AS PAUPER: WORTH \$125,000

guest of the municipal lodging house, died in a hospital here today it was learned that he essor of a fortune exceeding wing \$125,000

The old man's belongings were said to comprise \$54,000 in Liberty bonds, \$60,000 deposited in Alaska banks, \$1,900 in cash, a \$5,000 ruby ring, a \$3,000 diamond ring, a \$2. nugget, and several deeds to realty in Fairbanks, Alaska,

He was registered at the hospital as a miner from San Francisco

ASK 83 WHEAT.

Press.)-Kansas wheat growers in conference here today were on record that the minimum price of num ferees agreed the cost of produc

CANADA RAIL BATES RAISED. Ottawa, Ontario, Sept. 8. - The board of railroad commissioners panies an increase of 40 per cent

#### Home Canning by the Cold Pack Method

A new edition of this bulletin is just off the press at the gov-ernment printing office. It sets forth the best methods of canning that science and prac-

tice have developed.

It is just in time to be used in putting up that carpet of fallen fruit that now covers the orchard The small amount of sugar

needed for canning by this method is now everywhere avail-At last you can can all you DO YOUR SHARE!

(Use the coupon. Write plainly.) Frederic J. Haskin, Director. THE ROCK ISLAND ARGUS

INFORMATION BUREAU

Washington, D. C. I enclose herewith 2 cents in stamps for return postage on a free copy of the bulletin on the Cold Pack Method.

## HARDING AT MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

Has Busy Day at St. Paul: Speaks on Agricultural Problems.

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 8 .- Follow ing close on the heels of Governor ing close on the heels of Governor strike in Brixton prison, if a guar-James M. Cox, Senator Warren G. antee is received from some re-Harding had a busy day before him sponsible Irish source that murder on his arrival in St. Paul today, including an address on agriculture at the Minnesota state fair grounds. Senator Harding and his party arrived shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. After an informal reception at the depot, the Republican patches.

nominee rode in an automobile pa-rade to the state fair grounds. There he made a brief address to farm boys attending the exposition and then reviewed various ex-

At noon he was the guest of the state fair board at luncheon, following which he spoke at 1:30 p. m. before the grand stand—his principal address of the day. After night. a public reception at the capitol tonight the senator will return to Marion

Proposes Agricultural Program. designed to keep the nation self-sup-taining and to improve the condi-him." tion of the farmer, was outlined by servationists or friends of the leaving New York for Omaha at treaty and league. Some people daybreak will arrive the same day predict that Mr. Harding will make before sunset.

Senator Harding, Republican nominee for the presidency, in a speech this afternoon at the Minnesota State Fair.

In specific terms the candidate set forth his policy as contemplating the following steps:

Larger representation for farmers in governmental affairs, particularly with regard to trade and

operative association for marketing farm products. A scientific study of the world market for farm products with a view to stabilization of prices. Curtailment of unnecessary price-

fixing and of "ill-considered efforts arbitrarily to reduce farm product

to a state of highest efficiency.

competition. Would Insure Food Production. Both reclamation and intensive farming, the nominee said, would have their places in a development 00 diamond stickpin, a \$200 gold of the nation's agricultural resources to a capacity which would insure to posterity an abundance of domestic food products.

Deporing the drift of population from country to city, he advocated an improvement in the social life Salina, Kan., Sept. 8. — (United tration of economic laws as would ress.)—Kansas wheat growers in insure "a fair balance between our urban and rural industries." The candidate described his con

ception of the future of the American farming as contemplating "a system of agriculture which will us to feed our people abundantly with some to spare. export in years of plenty, and at prices which will insure to the farmer and his family both financia rewards and educational, social and religious living conditions fairin eastern Canada freight rates and ly comparable to those offered by

Price Control Unwise Price control might be necess and wise in times of national cri sis, the senator said, but prices in the long run must rest rather on

natural laws than on arbitrary enactments. prices such as we have experienced during the past two years are equally vain and useless," Such drives simply give the speculator and the profiteer additional opportunities to add to their ex-

Must Adopt Definite Policy. "The time has come," said when as a nation we must detericy. We must decide whether we shall undertake to make the United States a self-sustaining nation, or whether we shall continue to exploit our agricultural resources for the benefit of our industrial and commercial life, and leave to pos-terity the task of finding food enough, by strong-arm methods, if

#### COOL WEATHER IN ILLINOIS HOLDING CORN CROP BACK Springfield, Ill., Sept. 8.—Corn

maturity was poor in Illinois, for the week ending Tuesday, Sept. 7, as the result of cool weather, ac-cording to the bulletin issued by the weather bureau this morning.
The crop, Meterologist Clarence J.
Root says, needs more rain and higher temperature generally. The thought three miles away.

Eleven additional surface lines were put in operation by the B. R. T. today and more elevated and subthewers during the week were mostly of light proportions.

### M'SWINEY CASE CABINET, CLAIM

Reported to Be Reconsid-

ering Its Stand On

Hunger Striker. London, Sept. 8 .- (By the United Press.)—The British cabinet in session today was authoritatively COX SAYS WAR reported to be reconsidering its de-

cision not to release Lord Mayor

MacSwiney, in view of the over-

whelming pressure of public opin-The British government today announced its willingness to release Lord Mayor MacSwiney, now on the 27th day of his hunger

of policemen in Ireland will cease. This announcement followed an official denial that Premier Lloyd George, who returned last night from Switzerland, had previously made a similar conditional offer, as unofficially reported in press dis-A bulletin issued at noon said

much weaker and that physicians had forbidden his relatives to converse with him. Relatives Forbidden. Reports from Brixton prison stated he was a little brighter this

MacSwiney had suddenly grown

morning, but much weaker. It was said he had passed a fairly good

with regard to the mayor's condi-

tion, said:
"The lord mayor suddenly got Minnesota State Fair Grounds, much weaker. The doctors are Sept. 8.—An agricultural program very anxious and have forbidden

Possibility of Shortage of Coal Ethninated By Speeding Up By Railroads.

Chicago, Sept. 8. - (United Press.)-Possibility of a shortage in coal, grain and essential commodities this winter has been eliminated by a speeding up in railroad efficiency in handling and loading Administration of the farm loan of freight cars, railroad officials

mileage and loading of Restoration of railway facilities freight cars, officials said more a state of highest efficiency. Revision of the tariff to protect Chicago today than ever before. merican agriculture from unfair With Chicago the railroad center of the country this may be taken as an indication, officials said, that the campaign has been successful and that fears of coal and food famine

are removed. John Hayden, a member of the commission of car service of the American Railway association, representing all roads connecting with Chicago, said from 42,000 to 44,000 freight cars pass through Chicago daily. This, Hayden said, was an increase of 25 per cent over a year ago and a record in railroading.

shipments of coal and food this winter and prevent any famine," he hortage, Hayden said, but nothing alarming.

The campaign of railroads to increase loading of freight cars and with condition 64.1 percent of a speeding up mileage will make normal. Cars.

The speeding up movement of cars has already been felt by distributors, According to Sol Westerfeld, former vice president of the National Retail Grocers' association, and head of the retail food distributors' committee here, it will mean a stabilization of food prices. "Prices are already becoming stabilized," said Westerfield.

"We are beginning to feel the relaxation in the car shortage. Goods are coming in faster now and in more reasonable time. are getting them in car load lots times, now." Westerfeld declared the availability of more cars spells good news 8,900,00 tons; tobacco, 554,000,000 to producer, distributor and con-

**MEN FIRE INTO** 

# **NEW YORK CARS**

New York, Sept. 8 .- While furnecessary, to support the coming ther efforts were being made today hundreds of millions. to arbitrate the strike of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company emlyn Rapid Transit company em-before state troopers, with drawn ployes, nine men in an automobile clubs were able to disperse them. raced alongside a train on the sur-face near the Twenty-second avenue bruises and cuts but none was seriface near the Twenty-second avenue bruises and cu station and fired into the cars, but ously injured. injured no one. Blasts from the train whistle

## BEFORE BRITISH EARTH SHOCK WIPES OUT WHOLE TOWNS; LIFE AND PROPERTY LOSS IS HUGE

### PROFITEER IS BACK OF G. O. P.

Governor On Trip West Renews Campaign Fund Charges.

Aboard Governor Cox's Special Train, Culbertson, Mont., Sept. 8 .-(United Press.) - Governor Cox said today as he pushed his stump campaign another step west into Montana, that he is prepared to show that those corporations which made the greatest profits out of the war are among the biggest backers of

Republican campaign funds.
"The most notorious profiteer in America, the American Woolen company, William M. Wood, president, already has made a large contribution to the campaign book of Republicanism which William Barnes, Albany, N. Y., is publishing," Cox charged specifically.

Governor Cox recently had a sur-

vey made of conditions at the wool-en mill and it was understood his assertion was based on this report. He indicated in future addresses he will name other corporations to of the earth. At Fivizzano, which which he believes the same charges has 17,000 inhabitants and is near can be applied. Hopes to Carry Montana.

Indicating that Democrats have strong hopes of carrying Montana, Cox will spend two days in this state. Only two main addresses at Havre and at Great Falls—were on the schedule today, although several rear platform talks probably will be made. Tomorrow Cox will visit the copper mining section of Butte and Anaconda.

Cox was due to arrive at Havre at 2 o'clock this afternoon and at Great Falls at 7:15 tonight.

# RECORD CROP OF

Million Bushels.

Washington, Sept. 8.-Corn pros pects improved during August and promised on Sept. 1, a crop of 3,131,000,000 bushels, the department of agriculture announced to-day. This was 128,000,000 more than indicated on Aug. 1, 6,000,000 than indicated on Aug. 1, 6,000,000 bushels above that of 1912, the larg- of falling. est previous crop on record; more than two hundred million bushels have been sent to the stricken area. above last year, and almost four with medical and food supplies. hundred million bushels above the five-year average.

The indicated yield per acre of number of cars available to handle a bushel during the past 55 years. Forecasts of production this year ported from 11 towns. of the country's principal crops, said. The number of cars available estimated from their condition is not known. There is still a Sept. 1, or at time of harvest, were announced today by the department of agriculture as follows: Spring wheat, 237,000,000 bushels,

> Corn ... ...3,131,000,000 Oats ... 1,442,000,000 Barley ... . 195,000,000 Buckwheat .. 15,500,000 Wh. potatoes 413,000,000 St. potatoes . 102,000,000

Apples .. ... 223,000,000 Peaches ... 44,900,000 38,900,000 Peanuts Beans (six states) . ... Flax ... ... 11.800.000 52,200,000 Rice ... Hav (tame), 88,200,000 tons: (wild), 18,300,999 tons; sugar beets,

# RIOTING OCCURS

ted Press)-Rioting broke out to-

Famous Leaning Towar of Pisa Badly Shaksmand Reported Falling.

Rome, Sept. 8. Several hon-dred persons lots their lives in the earthquake at Firth and many more were injured, according to a dispatch to the Tribuna from Massal. As reports from the stricken re-

gion come in over faltering tele-graph and telephone lines, the extent of the disaster seems to be growing and there is a possibil-ity the damage done may be much more serious than was at first be-

The territory violently disturbed seems to be between Florence and Modena. In this district there are many populous towns, and no-tid-ings have as yet been received from many of them.

Towns Are Leveled.

the shock was a severe one, and re-

There is every indication that

ports from cities in the earthquake zone show that buildings crumbled beneath the strain of the convulsion Carrara, almost every building was damaged and many were complete-

ly destroyed. Whole Towns Wiped Out, Rome, Sept. 8, 10 a. m.—(By the United Press.)—The casualty list resulting from yesterday's earthquake in north central Italy was growing today as additional re-

ports were received.

Relief parties sent word that the towns of Quercia, Molassa and Tarasco had been completely wiped out. The whole region around Spesia was said to have been sertered. Signor Bertini, under-secretary of public works, has left for the

devastated area to personally su-pervise relief work. Scores of persons were killed quake, according to scattered requake, according to scattered re-ports. Property damage was said to be enormous. Owing to inter-Yield Expected to Exceed That of ruption of communication, details were lacking. It was learned that Villa Collemandia were completely destroyed. The former had a 2,000 population. In the latter place 20 were known

dead and scores injured. Tower of Pisa Falling. Fifty-seven bodies were said tohave been recovered from ruins in Pisa, where the famous leaning tower was reported to have been Troops and volunteer

The shock, which centered in the province of Massacarrara, lasted about twenty seconds and was the to and a record in railroading.

30.2 bushels has been exceeded but most severe ever felt in several timeans there will be a great twice and then only by a fraction of towns in that zone. Serious damage and many casualties were re-

> Churches Destroyed. At Calcinniana a church and several houses were razed. Twopersons were killed and many inred. The church of St. Paul at Via Reggio was badly damaged and a workman was killed and several infured. A church and hospital at Pistoja were shaken down and the 74.1 churches of San Francisco and San 86.4 Lorenzo were damaged.

> entire population of Forte Marmi was said to be camping in the open 86.8 country nearby.
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> The ceiling of the church of St.
>
> Prospero, at Molinoquosa, fell while worshipers were in the edi-

> > According to the Nuovo Giornale

At Castel Franco the famous Ceilini theatre was destroyed. The

of Florence, the districts of Lun-giana and Garfagnana were the hardest hit. Vast Region Affected. The earthquake which shook northern Italy yesterday apparently was one of the most

hat ever struck that region. Reports received here today indicated an area more than 300 miles fected. Score of deaths and hun-dreds of injuries already have been reported and it was feared the casualty list would continue to mount as communication was reestablished. Property damage was expected to reach millions of dol-

King Visits Stricken Area. King Victor Emmanuel, who was visiting in Pisa, was reported to have left that city to visit the de-

vastated districts.

Relief work was being conducted under government supervision. Soldiers and volunteer were being rushed into the stricken

The earthquake, which occurred brought a squad of motorcycle po-lice, who pursued the motor car at high speed until the nine men were striking employes of the Pennsyl-in the Appenines, 50 miles southvania Coal company. When they attempted to induce the strikers to quit working with the gang, both sides began fighting. Stones were hurled and clubs were used. State troopers were reshed to the seem.

# Wilkesharre, Pa., Sept. 8 .- (Uniday in the anthracite coal strike district. For half an hour a large

The trouble started at the Pittston station of the Delaware & Hud-